

SWEET CHOCOLATE CARRIED UNDER FIRE

Chocolates Furnished by Y. M. C. A. Arrives Just When It Is Needed

With the American Armies in France, Jan. ...—Praising the men of company D, 109th Machine Gun Battalion, 28th Division, Howard R. Keiser, a Y. M. C. A. man of Dunsmuir, Cal., tells how, when without food, they sent the sweet chocolate which he secured for them to an isolated position, which was under severe fire, across the Vesle river at Fismes. It was during the heavy fighting outward from Chateau Thierry, that the men of the 109th Machine Gun Battalion got ahead of their supplies, and the sweet chocolate which the Y. M. C. A. managed to get to them, was specially welcome. The battalion reached the Vesle river on its advance. There the German line held. Men were thrown across the river by various units to keep in contact with the enemy. There was terrific fighting all along the line. A platoon of Company D was hurried over to help in holding the narrow strip that had been taken at great cost by the American soldiers. It was surrounded on three sides by the Boche, who tried every means in his power to dislodge them—gas, shells, machine gun fire and snipers. It was a difficult matter to get food over to them for men with supplies had to cross the river which was exposed and under heavy fire.

FIGHTING PARSON GETS WAR CROSS

John Clifford Wearing Y. M. C. A. Uniform, Proves Himself Real Hero

New York, Jan. ...—There have many war heroes, but there is certainly no more conspicuously heroic figure than John H. Clifford, Baptist minister in time of peace, but real fighter in time of war, who has been awarded the Croix de Guerre for extraordinary heroism in action. John Clifford, as a Y. M. C. A. worker, braved the red wrath of war. He has been in the firing zone as much as the hardest infantryman and was decorated for a most unusual exploit. He was one of three men who braved incessant enemy shell fire while rescuing Col. Albertus W. Catlin, commanding officer of the Sixth regiment of Marines. The trio carried the colonel to safety on a stretcher. Mr. Clifford went over the top many times and came near being killed on several occasions. He is fifty-one years old and was born at Oxford, England, and has preached the gospel in many parts of the world. When given a chance to serve with the Y. M. C. A. in France, he knew that it was a good thing, and he jumped at it.

PERSHING SENDS MOTT NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Paris, Dec. 28.—Many times during the past year General Pershing has taken occasion to commend the work of the Y. M. C. A. for the soldiers of the A. E. F. and to express his keenest appreciation for the many good deeds done by the "Y" in this country. On Christmas Day the commander of the American Expeditionary Forces sent the following cablegram to Dr. John R. Mott, head of the National War Work Council: "With a deep feeling of gratitude for the enormous contribution which the Army Young Men's Christian Association has made to the moral and physical welfare of the American Army, all thanks join me in sending you Christmas greetings and cordial best wishes for the New Year."

Soldiers Overseas To Serve For Y. M. C. A.; Fewer Men Go From U. S.

General Pershing Tells Y. M. C. A. to "Take Their Pick" From Men of A. E. F., Which Cuts Down Recruiting Program in This Country

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. ...—The offer of General Pershing to release officers and men of the A. E. F. from military duty in order that their services might be utilized by the Y. M. C. A. resulted in the recruiting of a large number of soldiers for "Y" work, and naturally resulted in a decrease in the number of men being sent from this country overseas. Up until the time General Pershing's offer was made, the Y. M. C. A. had done extensive recruiting for the purpose of sending a large number of workers overseas. But when it was learned that workers could be secured in France—men well fitted for the work because of their familiarity with conditions—the services of many men in the United States were not needed. While many candidates for service overseas were disappointed over the decision, the Y. M. C. A. could not have acted otherwise. General Pershing said the "Y" to take any cal-

ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES SENT BY Y. M. C. A.

Cost of Sweets and Smokes for One Month Reaches Staggering Figure—Armistice Didn't End Smoking on Any Front

New York, Jan. ...—Almost \$4,000,000 worth of smokes, sweets, sporting goods, chewing gum and other commodities was shipped to France during the month of November by the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. for the use of the American Expeditionary Forces. A statement to this effect has just been issued by the National War Council and tends to demonstrate that the demand for supplies of this character has not been reduced by the fact that hostilities have ceased.

In exact figures the value of the supplies shipped to France was \$3,895,908 and each month's quota will approximate this total until the forces overseas have been materially reduced by demobilization.

The demand for tobacco, cigars and cigarettes has not diminished since the armistice was signed, as witness the fact that \$1,351,000 of the total amount went for the purchase of the weed in some form. In the shipments were 464,913 pounds of tobacco, 198,065,320 cigarettes and 99,700 cigars. As for confectionery, there were 213,800 pounds of hard candy, 175,918 pounds of chocolates and 329,280 packages of cough drops, not to mention 587,600 tins of jams and 5,541,900 pounds of sugar. The chewing gum consignments totaled 6,100,000 packages—enough to load every slot machine in the United States.

Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY HONORED FOR BRAVERY

Brooklyn Man Is Awarded Croix de Guerre by Commander of Polish Forces

Paris, Dec. 11.—"For heroic and untiring work for the soldiers while under fire," Stanley Modra, of 2123 Canton avenue, Brooklyn, a Y. M. C. A. secretary, has just received the Croix de Guerre from General Haller, commander-in-chief of the Polish army, and has been mentioned in the official citations. He is the third Y. M. C. A. man thus honored for conspicuous bravery.

Modra has been with the Polish forces continuously since his arrival in France five months ago, and has given many notable exhibitions of gallantry and fidelity to duty. During the last days of the hostilities he served with the First division in the Vosges, in charge of a hut in a narrow valley between the first and second line trenches. From this hut he made trip after trip, carrying supplies to the men at the most advanced posts, and was under fire repeatedly.

When the fighting was at its heaviest Modra and the men associated with him in Y work continued their ministrations to the soldiers, serving cocoa, cakes, when the men were in position to receive them, and cigarettes. This service contributed much to the high morale of the troops and won not only the praise of the officers but the lasting gratitude of the men.

DR. R. O. FLYNN AS "Y" WORKER

Well Known Minister Leaves Pulpit to Take Up Work Overseas

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. ...—Dr. Richard Orme Flynn, pastor of the North Avenue Presbyterian church, is going to France for the Y. M. C. A.

Dr. Flynn, who is one of the best known ministers in the Southeast, and who has a host of friends throughout this section of the country, will be engaged in special educational work, and will likely be overseas for some time.

Billy Sundays Beats for Girls.

Don't be a girl without principle. You are then a girl without an anchor.

Don't come down from your pedestal. No man will respect you for lowering your standards no matter what he tells you.

Don't emancipate yourself from your religion and become a pagan. Your religion is all that will hold you in some circumstances. Don't marry a man to reform him. Gosh! he wouldn't do the same for you, sissy.

Don't forget that 99 men out of 100 take a girl at the value she puts on herself.

Don't visit places about whose character and reputation there is a shadow of a doubt.

Don't accept gifts out of proportion to acquaintanceship and position. You'll surely pay.

Don't trust the fellow who always wants to see you alone. He's rotten. Don't turn pale when a man you don't know speaks to you on the street—Take out your hat pin and jab him. I'll pay your fine.

Don't dress so as to attract attention. You are skating on thin ice when you do.

Don't go in for the heavy camouflage. You'll look 50 when you are 25.

Don't make eyes at a man on the street. He'll pay you back with interest.

Don't allow men to use rough or uncouth language in your presence or to make light of religion.

Don't be popular if popularity means allowing every young man that visits you the privilege of kissing and hugging you.

Don't dance. More girls have found the slide to hell starting from the polished floor of a dance hall than anywhere else.

Don't be crazy to marry that you do more than your share of the courting. Let it at least be a fifty-fifty matter. There are lots worse things than remaining an unclaimed blessing.

Don't worry, if he tells you that he will kill him if you don't marry him. Oh, gosh! girls, they have two or three on a string; it's heads or tails with them.

Don't be silly and simpering about love. There is nothing silly about love, though some folks in love are silly. That's the fault of their brains not of love.

Don't forget that the trinity of woman's power lies in dignity, purity and spiritual life. And this old world is just what the women are. You do your bit.

Southern Power Company Development.

The report was circulated in Lenoir last week that the Southern Power Company will begin another mammoth power development on the Catawba river early in the summer. According to the reports two big dams and power plants will be built, one at Rhodhiss and the other at Horsford Shoals two miles below Rhodhiss.

The Southern Power company's title attorney has been here several weeks during the past three months searching the records of the property on which they have options. They have already taken up several of the options.—Lenoir Topic.

The farmer comprises only 39.2 per cent of the population of the country, but he bought 53.1 per cent of the automobiles sold last year. The automobile is rapidly changing the entire plan of living and doing business on the farm. The farmer has practical use for the auto for business and pleasure.—Progressive Farmer.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

In Memory of Richard Lenoir Jones.

Truly the dispensations of Providence are wonderful and mysterious, oft times cutting off the servants of God when, seemingly, they have just developed their talents, and are beginning to devote their young lives to His great cause. There are so many who are cut off in the bloom of life. Such was the case and bereavement when Richard Lenoir Jones, son of H. S. and Ida Jones, who died Dec. 20th, '18, at the age of twenty years, one month and 11 days. He passed, we trust, serenely through the pearly gates of heaven to join the loved ones gone before, where sorrow and pain never come.

We know that God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform, and though we can not understand our sad bereavement now, but some day will know.

We can only bow in humble submission to Him that doeth all things well. Surely the angels were made happier when they enrolled dear Richard as a member of heaven. Truly in his death we have sustained a great loss, but our loss is his eternal gain. He professed faith in Christ and joined meat Camp Baptist church at about twelve years of age, and lived a very consecrated life until the time of his death. A precious one from us has gone, a voice we loved is stilled, a place is vacant in the home That never can be filled.

D. L. GREEN,
M. C. BROWN.

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Why Meat Prices Vary in Different Stores

These newspaper quotations represent live cattle prices in Chicago on December 30th, 1918.

The list shows price ranges on nine general classified groups with a spread of \$13.85 per cwt.—the lowest at \$6.50 and the highest at \$20.35.

Why this variation in price? Because the meat from different animals varies greatly in quality and weight.

Although the quotations shown are in nine divisions, Swift & Company grades cattle into 34 general classes, and each class into a variety of weights and qualities.

As a result of these differences in cattle prices, (due to differences in weights and meat qualities), there is a range of 15 cents in Swift & Company's selling prices of beef carcasses.

These facts explain:

- 1—Why retail prices vary in different stores.
- 2—Why it would be difficult to regulate prices of cattle or beef.
- 3—Why it requires experts to judge cattle and to sell meat, so as to yield the profit of only a fraction of a cent a pound—a profit too small to affect prices.

Swift & Company, U.S.A.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadowville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least 25c. a package—One cent a dose trouble was soon righted with a few doses of Black-Draught."

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